

DUANE AND DEANNA HUNT ANNOUNCE NEW MINISTRY

MINISTRY IN THE OUTER REGIONS

“MINTOR”

Dear Friends and Prayer Partners,

We regret it has been a while since we informed you about what has transpired in our lives. We trust you are doing well. We enjoyed hearing from many of you during the holidays. Let us catch you up to date on this past difficult year.

It became necessary for Deanna to have her knee replaced which she did last April. Upon awakening from the surgery she also had two ruptured disks in her back which prolonged her recovery. Duane took a group from Northwest Baptist Church to work in an orphanage in Honduras and to do an evangelistic outreach in the community. After their work was over, Duane was getting the team off to the airport at 4am and fell on concrete stairs in a pouring rain. He cracked two ribs, broke two ribs, deflated a lung, and badly bruised his left elbow. Miraculously he flew home the next day but it was a full three months recovery. Shortly after his recovery his 91 year old mother fell and broke her leg. She could not return to assisted living and Duane's brother wanted to take her to a nursing center near his home in Memphis for a while. While we were going through these difficulties Larry Jones was so busy responding to the three disasters, Tsunami, Katrina, and Rita. He kept trying to give us a time for crusades but just could not because of his schedule. Finally in November he informed us that he was not going to be able to continue doing crusades as in the past so our time with them ceased in December. Our health has been completely restored and we are ready to zealously serve the Lord.

During this waiting period God began working in our hearts about needing to spend more of our ministry in discipleship training in areas where we had worked overseas. Also many invitations began coming to us to return to these areas to teach seminars where we had worked. God began speaking to us through His Word confirming that we should return with teaching His Word as well as sharing the Gospel. We had been doing discipleship teaching but on a limited basis because of the huge effort preparing for the crusades. God used the last part of the great commission to speak clearly to us. Matthew 28.19 & 20 "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The Gospel is spreading especially in the West Nile area of Uganda. We received a letter from Ugandan Pastor Keronga saying, "I really praise the Lord for having finally led you and Deanna to the Bible teaching ministry. That is the core need of most church leaders in this end. Much as evangelism is very important, the churches too need leaders who are thoroughly trained and equipped for ministry. The challenges that we have in this area are that most churches are led by lay leaders because the leaders are unable to afford the cost of theological education." He also expressed the desperate need for Bible teaching materials. We plan to give each pastor/leader a syllabus of the Bible seminars we teach.

Everywhere we worked overseas the pastors would plead with us to return and teach because the need was so great. As we would teach, the people were truly like hungry baby birds with their mouths open, staying as long as we could teach and then asking for more. One Baptist pastor who was over 35 churches in northern Kenya begged us to return and teach on the family in that region. He promised to get the pastors together for us. This is a direct quote from Rev. Reuben Langat, a Kenyan Pastor, "Just like in the Macedonian time, pastors and their wives in Africa are calling saying "come Teach". They are saying come teach us the Word of God, come teach us how to be good leaders in God's house, come bring unity among us, come help and show us how to minister to our own children. Many servants of Christ are serving while limping, hurting, and they need someone to come alongside them to encourage in teaching and prayer. As we fight the principalities of darkness in Africa, soldiers need to be equipped and encouraged to do the fight. Hear the cry of the pastors and their wives, saying come help us." It was such request that God used to convict our hearts of His will for this ministry. We prayed, "God, do you want us to retire? We received an overwhelming "NO" answer. We heard Bible teacher, Kay Arthur, say "We Christians are in a real war, and soldiers don't retire during a war." God also gave us II Cor. 10.16 as a guiding verse for this ministry, "So that we can preach the gospel in the regions beyond you." As we prayed and sought the Lord, we saw His Hand in an amazing way by putting this ministry together. Some of these seminars are already translated into as many as eight different languages ready to teach.

PRAYER IS VITAL FOR THE SUCCESS OF THIS MINISTRY

This is where you are desperately needed. We will continue sending you requests for each ministry trip. Enclosed is a brochure where you can read the objectives and strategies of the ministry. Also if you feel God's leadership for you to be involved in another way the information is there also. We would be willing to visit with you personally if you have questions. We can be contacted at DandDHunt@cox.net or by phone at 405-947-0479 or cell 405-615-5232. Our office is now in our home. We plan to live on our retirement income taking no salary and trust God for funds for the expenses of the ministry.

PRAY WITH US FOR:

*God to lead us and equip us as this new ministry develops into what God desires. Heb. 13.20,21 "that great

Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to

him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

*Pray for the working out of preparation details with national leaders in Kenya and Malawi as we organize the different meetings there. II Cor. 9.8 "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

*Pray that as we finish the preparation of the Biblical seminars, God would give divine insight to minister to those who will be attending. Jn. 14.26 "But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

*Pray also for the translation of the materials into the various languages

and, that the truth of God's Word would be kept faithfully.

*Pray that we will have and know the right technology to present the Biblical materials most effectively. (Power point; overhead projector; printed materials, etc.)

*Pray that God would provide the means and logistics for purchasing Bibles in the country and in the people's languages to be given to those without Bibles. Col. 3.16a "Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach & admonish one another with all wisdom."

*Pray for God's provision for ministering His Word to the lost and to disciple leaders who will disciple others.

Phil.4.19 "But my God will supply all your need according to His riches in glory."

How would you be if you did not have a Bible? Then think how you would act if you heard someone was giving Bibles in your area? With that in mind let us share one story of many how desperate some are for a Bible. In Chinindega, Nicaragua we were giving Spanish New Testaments to new believers. The word spread and we baracaded the area with bales of hay and tables and soon ran out of New Testaments yet the people were many who had not yet received one. I saw that they were not taking the message that we were out, so I retreated to the car nearby and locked myself inside. The people followed me, shouting, "Biblia, Biblia, Biblia". Then they began pounding on the windows of the car and shouting. I kept saying, "no mas Biblias". That experience broke our hearts. The reality of that scenario is that it is multiplied thousands of times as we go to more remote areas of the world. Many pastors do not have complete Bibles. We feel led to purchase in their country in their language some Bibles for pastors who do not have them. We will give them in a way that is orderly. We believe that is one of the greatest ministries we can do. We will have separate accounting for the Bible distribution and if you wish to be part of this, please designate that along with MINTOR on the memo of your check.

We sincerely want to thank you for standing with us in prayer these years.

Because of this change in ministry we felt it would be good to ask for your preference in how you receive information from us. Please email us at DandDHunt@cox.net if you want to receive information via email. Our web site is coming soon!

If God is leading you to invest eternally in the spreading of His Word through this ministry, Your tax deductible checks must be made to Northwest Baptist Church with MINTOR written on the memo line and send it to:

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P. O. Box 32092

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The volunteer administrators, Carolyn and Ron Plant will process all donations through Northwest Baptist Church. An end of the year statement will be sent to you by Northwest Baptist Church for your contribution records.

Following our meeting February 24-25 with the Advisory Committee, we will buy plane tickets for our first mission teaching tour to 3 cities in Kenya in May and June. In May we will be in Mombasa and then in June we will be in Eldoret and Nyeri areas.

We will send more specific request as time approaches. Let us end with a timely quote from John Piper's book, "Let The Nations Be Glad", "Prayer is the power that wields the weapon of the word, and the Word is the weapon by which nations will be brought to faith and obedience. The gospel will not be proclaimed in power to all the nations without the prevailing, earnest, faith-filled prayers of God's people."

Serving The Lord Together,